

Major Construction Fact Sheet

Engineering Support Building Schematic Update

Mission Overview

On May 7, 2004, the VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System (VAPHS) was approved for an almost \$200 million major construction project. The purpose of this project is to enhance Engineering Support and to achieve efficiency through consolidation of a three division health care system into two divisions.

CARES Guiding Principles

- Construction will take place at both the University Drive Division and the H. John Heinz III Progressive Care Center (Heinz) locations in order to relocate the current functions of the Highland Drive Division.
- No programs or services provided at the VAPHS will be discontinued as a result of the construction.
- The consolidation will be completed without a Reduction In Force (RIF).

Engineering Support Building Timeline

2006

- February - Pre-bid Meeting(s)
- April - Award Contract
- May - Start Construction

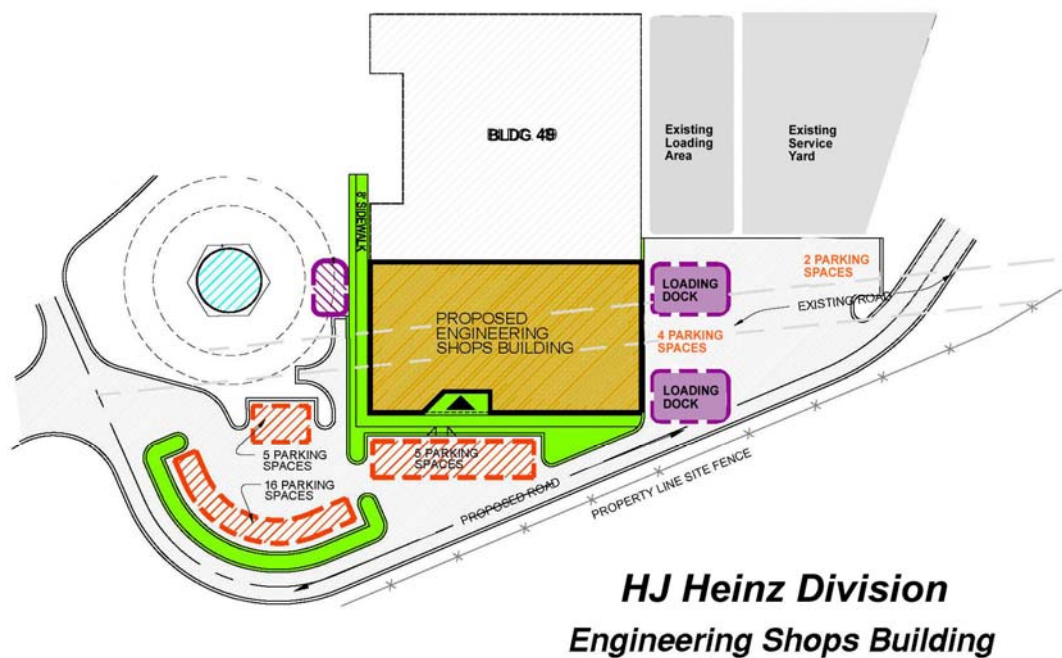
2007

- Spring - Complete Construction & Activation

Benefits of Engineering Support Building Construction

- Provides modern facilities for Engineering staff to provide improved support services to VAPHS' Heinz Division
- These facilities include shop functions such as:
 - Biomedical
 - Electronics
 - Carpentry
 - Locksmith
 - Equipment Repair
 - Paint
 - Plumbing
 - Signage
- Provides new base of operations for Patient Transportation
- Consolidates Prosthetics & Sensory Aids ordering, shipping & receiving
- Provides various administrative support offices for Facilities Management

Engineering Support Building Site Plan



A new Engineering Support Building will be constructed attached to the existing Warehouse (Building 49). It will include 11,000 department gross square feet for Facilities and 2,700 for Prosthetics operations.

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